TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1021 - HB 1439

March 1, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a Class A misdemeanor offense to knowingly give, sell, lend, deliver, or otherwise transfer a firearm to a person when the transferor knows or reasonably should know that the person receiving the firearm is prohibited from purchasing or possessing a firearm under state or federal law. Applies to transfers of firearms made on or after July 1, 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to 18 U.S. Code § 922(d), it is unlawful for any person to sell or otherwise dispose of any firearm or ammunition to any person knowing or having reasonable cause to believe that such person is under indictment for, or has been convicted in any court of, a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, is a fugitive, is an unlawful user of or addicted to any controlled substance, has been adjudicated as a mental defective or has been committed to any mental institution, is an illegal alien, discharged from the Armed Forces under dishonorable conditions, has renounced U.S. citizenship, is subject to a court order that restrains such person from harassing, stalking, or threatening an intimate partner of such person or child of such intimate partner or person, or engaging in other conduct that would place an intimate partner in reasonable fear of bodily injury to the partner or child.
- The proposed legislation is not estimated to result in a sufficient number of Class A misdemeanor prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.
- Any additional workload on the courts is assumed to be accommodated within existing judicial resources.
- Any fiscal impact to state or local government is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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